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	4 4 3 4 8 1 0	3/1984	Atkinson			
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	4 7 2 8 0 0 6	3/1988	Drobish et al.			
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	4 8 3 0 2 0 5	5/1989	Hammond et al.			
	4 8 5 1 1 7 6	7/1989	Christiansen et al.			
	4 8 6 7 9 2 6	9/1989	Matsushima			
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